

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATING ALEXIS FROST

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2016

Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Ms. Alexis Frost, who is a 6th grade student at Lorton Station Elementary School, for placing second in the Junior Division, Individual Performance Category, of the Virginia National History Day Contest. She, along with winners from other states competed at the Kenneth E. Behring National History Day Conference, which took place June 12 through 16 at the University of Maryland in College Park.

Each year there is a specific theme on which the students' research must focus with this year's theme being: "Exploration, Encounter, Exchange in History." For her entry Alexis created a performance titled "Amelia" in which she portrays Amelia Earhart, an early aviation pioneer who was the first female pilot to fly solo across the Atlantic Ocean and who was an inspiration to women throughout the world.

This year approximately 600,000 students from across the United States participated in these contests. For the contests, students create entries showcasing original historical research utilizing primary and secondary sources. They then present their information in one of five categories: documentary, exhibit, paper, performance, and website. Less than 1 percent of all contestants are invited to go to the national competition.

At the National History Day Finals, Alexis' project along with those of the other state winners were evaluated by more than 300 historians and education professionals. Scholarships totaling \$150,000 were awarded to the winners of the contest ranging from \$250 through \$1,000 per award.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in commending Alexis Frost for her outstanding performance in the National History Day contest and in wishing her the very best at the National Finals as well as throughout her educational career.

HONORING CHRIST CHURCH
CATHEDRAL

HON. ANDY BARR

OF KENTUCKY

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Mr. BARR. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor a very special church in Lexington, Kentucky. Christ Church Cathedral was established in 1796. This year they celebrate 220 years of ministry. The congregation of Christ Church has included several prominent members, including statesman Henry Clay, who represented Kentucky in both the U.S. Senate and the U.S. House of Representatives, served three nonconsecutive terms as Speak-

er of the House, and served as U.S. Secretary of State under President John Quincy Adams.

Christ Church was the first Episcopal Church congregation west of the Allegheny Mountains. The earliest church building was a small frame church, which was replaced by a larger brick building in the early 1800s. The current church building was designed by the famous architect Thomas Lewinski in the Gothic Revival style and completed in 1848.

The first rector of Christ Church was Rev. James Moore, who also served as the first President of Transylvania University. The church is currently led by The Very Reverend Carol Wade and serves a unique downtown Lexington ministry. Some of Christ Church's many community outreach ministries include mentoring at-risk students, serving the homeless through Room in the Inn and Church Under the Bridge ministries, and providing Christmas gifts to needy children through the Angel Tree project.

Many lives have been changed by the ministry of this church. Indeed, my own family has been blessed by this vibrant spiritual community: I served in the Christ Church men's and boys' choir during my childhood years; I participated in services as an acolyte as a young man; my wife Carol and I were married in the Cathedral in 2008; and both of our daughters were baptized there. As the Cathedral celebrates its historic 220th anniversary, its members will continue their ministry to worship and serve God through Jesus Christ. My family and I are honored to call Christ Church Cathedral our spiritual home and I am honored to recognize this historic Cathedral before the United States House of Representatives.

COMMENDING HERITAGE BAPTIST
CHURCH ON THE OCCASION OF
ITS 35TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. ROBERT J. WITTMAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, June 24, 2016

Mr. WITTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 35th anniversary of Heritage Baptist Church, led by Pastor Michael Edwards. During its 35 years of selfless service to the Kingdom of God and to the community, this church has proven itself to be a congregation full of energy, conviction, and action.

Heritage Baptist Church was founded by Pastor Michael E. Edwards and held its first service on June 28, 1981 at Potomac Senior High School. One year later, in 1982, Heritage Baptist Church moved to a new location on Telegraph Road in Woodbridge. As the church continued to grow in faith and in members, Heritage built a new church on Spriggs Road in Woodbridge, Virginia where it has continued its growth and expansion.

Sensing the role it could play in the community and in educating children, Heritage Baptist church opened Heritage Christian School. The School began as a K5 through 9th grade insti-

tution with 70 students and, through the Lord's blessing, has grown to over 390 children in K4 through 12th grades. The School's mission is to equip young people, both academically and spiritually, to fight for the faith and to engage culture in the service of Jesus Christ.

Heritage Baptist Church, with Heritage Christian School, has served the community by opening their doors to our office on April 30th, 2016. Heritage Baptist facilitated our Women Veterans Forum and staffed the event to help meet our administrative needs. Attended by representatives from the Veterans Affairs' Administration, the Virginia Department of Veteran Services, and many other Veteran service organizations, the event celebrated the role women have played in our nation's military and provided support resources to our local women Veterans. Heritage Baptist Church's support of this event shows their commitment to our nation's military, Veterans, and larger community.

Mr. Speaker, it is with heartfelt gratitude that I congratulate Heritage Baptist Church on their 35th anniversary. I pray that the Lord will continue to bless and prosper this congregation for many years to come.

RECOGNIZING DAVID P. BOBZIEN
ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RE-
TIREMENT AS FAIRFAX COUNTY
ATTORNEY

HON. GERALD E. CONNOLLY

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CONNOLLY. Mr. Speaker, I rise to recognize and commend David P. Bobzien, of Reston, on the occasion of his retirement after a distinguished career spanning three decades of public service to the residents of Fairfax County, the largest local jurisdiction in the Commonwealth of Virginia and the National Capital Region. For the past 23 years, David has served as the Fairfax County Attorney. Prior to that, he served four years on the Fairfax Planning Commission, representing the former Centreville District, and he also is a past chairman of the Fairfax County Goals Advisory Commission.

I had the great pleasure of working with David throughout my 14 years on the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, particularly during my 5 years as chairman. David was responsible for providing sound legal advice to the Board of Supervisors on any number of issues, from land use and zoning applications to civil litigation to personnel matters. He was always meticulous and thoughtful in his approach and was a trusted counselor to the board and county staff.

David also has more than a decade of service with the federal government, where he served as assistant counsel in the Office of Professional Responsibility of the Department of Justice. Prior to that, he spent four years in private practice as an associate with the Fairfax firm of Fitzgerald and Smith, and he also

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